

## REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated 29 March 2005, Applicant has amended claims 1 – 5, 16, 21, 22, 29, 31, 33, 35, 40, and 41. Claims 55 – 69 have been added. Claims 9 – 14 and 44 are withdrawn. Claims 6 – 8, 15, 17 – 19, and 42 – 54 are cancelled. Claims 1 – 5, 16, 20 – 41, and 55 – 69 are pending.

Applicant believes that the above amendments overcome the rejections of the claims on the various §112 grounds. The objections to the drawings are overcome by the amendment or cancellation of claims. Thus, all rejections in paragraphs 2 – 8 of the Office Action are believed addressed and overcome.

The claims were rejected under § 102 and § 103 over England. Such rejections are respectfully traversed as relates to the amended claims.

England shows a device having parallel side rails on the upper surface alongside the keyboard. These rails are visible when the device is in the open position. In contrast, the amended claims call for a hand-held computing device, one that is operated when held in the hands. This device has mechanisms for allowing the display portion (the part that carries the display) to be moved to the device open position without the supporting mechanism being visible.

Thus, Claim 1 provides for a coupling between the body and display portions, with the coupling being concealed by the display portion when the device is in the open position. Claim 31 also provides for the display portion to conceal the coupling between the display and body portions in the open position. England teaches the use of a device in which the side rails, used to allow the display portion

to move, are visible when the device is in the open position. These claims therefore define patentable subject matter over England.

The various dependent claims also, when combined with independent claims 1 and 31, define patentable combinations over England and the remaining references of record.

New Claim 56 provides for a display portion having non-parallel sides. This also distinguishes over England, which must have parallel sides because they are used to allow the display portion to slide. The hand held and hand operated devices of the present application remove the mechanism from the sides of the device, allowing the sides to be made in a wide variety of pleasing and attractive shapes in which the sides are not parallel.

Therefore, the claims as amended are believed to define patentable subject matter over the cited references. Applicant therefore respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the amended claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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